

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-23, 25, 26, 28, and 29 are pending in the application.

Claims 2, 16-21, and 29 are provisionally withdrawn from consideration due to an election requirement. If claims 2, 16-21, and 29 depend from an allowable claim, it is respectfully requested that these claims be rejoined.

The Applicants sincerely appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 5 and 8-10 have been allowed.

Also, Applicants sincerely appreciate the Examiner's indication that claim 22 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. The features of independent claim 1 and intermediate dependent claim 3 have been placed into claim 22. Thus, claim 22 is in condition for allowance.

By way of this amendment, claim 1 has been amended to include the features of claim 22 and the features of claim 3, except for the tailgate feature of claim 3, and thus it is submitted that claim 1 and all claims dependent thereon are in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of

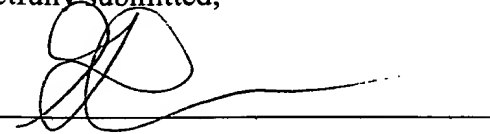
papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R.  
§1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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